National Registry of Diseases (Cancer Notification) Regulations 2009

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NATIONAL REGISTRY OF DISEASES ACT (CHAPTER 201B)

NATIONAL REGISTRY OF DISEASES (CANCER NOTIFICATION) REGULATIONS 2009

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 6, 7 and 23 of the National Registry of Diseases Act, the Minister for Health hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Registry of Diseases (Cancer Notification) Regulations 2009 and shall come into operation on 1st August 2009.

Definitions

- 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "cancer" includes in-situ neoplasms, neoplasms with borderline or uncertain malignant potential, as well as all tumours (malignant, borderline, in-situ and benign) of the brain and other parts of the central nervous system (including the pituitary gland, craniopharyngeal duct and pineal gland);

"patient" means a person to whom a notification referred to in regulation 3 relates.

Form, time and manner of notification for cancer

3. For the purposes of section 6(1) of the Act, a notification by the manager of a healthcare institution to the Registrar that a person has been diagnosed with or is undergoing treatment for cancer at the healthcare institution shall —

- (a) contain, in relation to that patient, the information specified in the First Schedule;
- (b) be made in any of the Forms set out in the Second Schedule or at the Registry's Internet website at http://www.nrdo.gov.sg;
- (c) be sent to the Registrar
 - (i) by hand (including by courier);
 - (ii) by registered mail; or
 - (iii) by using such secure electronic notification system as may be approved by the Registrar; and
- (*d*) be made within the following time:
 - (i) where the patient has been diagnosed with cancer through a confirmatory diagnostic test, not later than 3 months after the diagnosis of that cancer was first made; or
 - (ii) where the patient is undergoing treatment for cancer in the healthcare institution, not later than 3 months after the treatment for that cancer commenced.

Collection of additional information under section 7 of Act

4. Upon receiving a notification referred to in regulation 3, the Registrar or an authorised Registry officer may, for the purposes of section 7(1) of the Act, require the manager of the healthcare institution who made the notification to provide all or any of